Advocates for pleading DDA cases

†1927. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN':
SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:

Will the MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that advocates have been nominated to plead the cases pending in courts against the Delhi Development Authority;

(b) if so, the total number of such advocates in September, 2002; and

(c) the average amount spent annually by the Delhi Development Authority during the last three years on pleading of cases pending in courts?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) DDA has reported that in the month of September, 2002 the number of advocates on its panel to conduct cases in various Courts/ Forums was 105.

(c) DDA has informed that the total amount spent by them on defending and conducting litigation of DDA by the panel lawyers was Rs. 192.65 lakhs during the financial years 1999-2000, 2000-2001 & 2001-2002. The average amount spent annually comes to Rs. 64.22 lakhs.

Pending cases of DDA in courts

†1928. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:
SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of cases related to the Delhi Development Authority are pending in the courts;

(b) if so, the total number of cases pending in courts upto September, 2002; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.